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## **Railroad Crossing Upgrade**

Ladd St. & Reynolds St., Pontiac

Ottawa, IL – The Illinois Department of Transportation announces that work to upgrade the railroad crossing at Ladd Street and Reynolds Street in Pontiac begins on June 20, 2016. This \$2,406,647.27 contract has been awarded to Tobey's Construction and Cartage, Inc. of Herscher, Illinois.

Work includes installation of storm sewers, new curb and gutters, raising the Ladd Street/Reynolds Street intersection, asphalt surfacing, and signal work at the tracks.

Beginning July 5, 2016, Reynolds Street will be closed for approximately 60 days from the west side of the tracks to Harward Street. It is anticipated that this closure will be re-opened by Labor Day. Affected residents will be provided access.

After Labor Day, portions of the Ladd Street/Reynolds Street intersection will be closed periodically. This is necessary to raise the intersection to match the railroad crossing. Access will be provided to the affected businesses.

The bulk of the work on this project is anticipated to be completed by this Thanksgiving with only minimal work next spring. The project completion date is May 15, 2017.

Through traffic will be detoured around the project utilizing Illinois 116, Ladd Street, Washington Street, Madison Street and Vermillion Street.

Motorists are encouraged to use caution when traveling through the work zone and along the detour route.

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Please slow down and use extreme caution while driving through all work zones.

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